Ann was the Librarian in Bath for two years, then became assistant manager of the Historic Bath State Historic site under NC, Dept. of Culture Resources in 1980 and remained there for 17 years. During the time, she traveled to many historic sites in NC and enjoyed learning about the past. She had always loved history and it was a pleasure to give tours and to participate in demonstrations.

She started the first "hands on" demonstrations at the historic houses such as cooking in the fireplace, weaving, candle making, dying with herbs, flowers, etc. She also began the first Christmas open house, decorating Bath houses with fresh greenery, fruit, and food. She still helps decorate for the open house tour in December, plus St. Thomas church, where she serves as "Flower Chairman".